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India, France ink pact of...

Under the terms of reference, the delivery of the jets will have to start around five years after the signing of the contract. In July 2023, the defence ministry accorded the initial approval for the mega acquisition following a series of deliberations and evaluation tests of the platform. Under the deal, the Indian Navy will also get associated ancillary equipment including weapon systems and spares from Dassault Aviation. The Defence Ministry said that the Rafale-Marine has commonality with the Rafale being operated by the Indian Air Force (IAF). "Its procurement will substantially enhance joint operational

capability, besides optimising training and logistics for the aircraft for both Indian Navy and IAF," it said in a statement. "The induction would lead to the addition of a potent force multiplier to the Indian Navy's aircraft carriers, substantially boosting the nation's air power at sea," it said. The intergovernmental pact has been signed by Defence Minister Rajnath Singh and France's Minister of Armed Forces Sebastien Lecornu. The signed copies of the agreement, aircraft package supply protocol and weapons package supply protocol were exchanged by Indian and French officials, the Defence Ministry said.

J&K Assembly moves...

and the spirit of unity, peace, and harmony that have long characterized Jammu and Kashmir and our nation." This House stands in full solidarity with the victims and their families, the document stated. "We extend our deepest condolences to those who have suffered irreparable loss and affirm our collective resolve to share in their grief and support them in their hour of need." It mentioned the supreme sacrifice of pony ride operator Syed Adil Hussain Shah who laid down his life while trying to save the tourists from the terrorist attack. "His courage and selflessness embody the true spirit of Kashmir and shall serve as an enduring inspiration for future generations." "This House commends the people of Kashmir and Jammu for their extraordinary display of unity, compassion, and resilience in the

aftermath of the attack. "The peaceful demonstrations across towns and villages, and the spontaneous outpouring of moral and material support towards tourists, reaffirm people's steadfast commitment to peace, communal harmony, and the rule of law," the resolution stated. It also mentioned the Assembly's endorsement of diplomatic measures announced by the Centre following a meeting of the Cabinet Committee on Security a day after the tragedy. "This House is mindful of the sinister design behind the selective targeting of the victims of this attack. It appeals to all sections of society, and in particular the media, to not fall victim to this sinister plot by irresponsibly inflaming passions. The need to remain united in the face of this attempted division cannot be overemphasised."

Delhi court...

(Contd from page 1) prosecutor Narender Mann, accused Rana of not cooperating in the investigation. Advocate Piyush Sachdeva from Delhi Legal Services Authority represented Rana. The NIA has claimed before the court that Rana planned several plots similar to the 26/11 Mumbai terror attacks to target multiple Indian cities, including Delhi.

In its previous remand order, the court directed the NIA to conduct Rana's medical examination every 24 hours, and allow him to meet his lawyer every alternate day. The court allowed Rana to use only a "soft-tip pen" and meet his lawyer in the presence of the NIA officials, who would be out of an audible distance.

During the arguments on the last occasion, the NIA said Rana's custody was required to piece together the full scope of the conspiracy, and submitted he was required to be taken to various locations for retracing the events that took place 17 years ago. Rana, a close associate of 26/11 main conspirator David Coleman Headley alias Daoud Gilani, a US citizen, was brought to India after the US Supreme Court on April 4 dismissed his review plea against his extradition to India. On November 26, 2008, a group of 10 Pakistani terrorists went on a rampage, carrying out a coordinated attack on a railway station, two luxury hotels and a Jewish center, after they sneaked into India's financial capital using the sea route in the Arabian Sea.

Pakistan violates ceasefire for 4th night straight

JAMMU, Apr 28 (PTI)

PAKISTANI troops resorted to unprovoked firing in Jammu and Kashmir's Poonch and Kupwara districts, continuing with their ceasefire violations along the LoC, Army officials said on Monday.

This was the fourth consecutive night that Pakistan resorted to small-arms fire along the Line of Control (LoC) and came amid heightened tension between New Delhi and Islamabad following last week's terror attack in Pahalgam. A Defence spokesperson said, "During the night of April 27-28, Pakistan Army posts initiated unprovoked small arms fire across the LoC in areas opposite Kupwara and Poonch districts."

Indian troops responded swiftly and effectively, he added.

There were no report of any casualty. Pakistani Army fired at different Indian positions along the Line of Control (LoC) on Thursday night, as well as on the intervening nights of April 25-26 and April 26-27, each time meeting with appropriate response.

India's Got Latent row: SC orders return of passport to Allahbadia

NEW DELHI, Apr 28 (PTI)

THE Supreme Court on Monday allowed the return of passport to podcaster Ranveer Allahbadia to enable him to travel abroad for work. A bench of Justices Surya Kant and N Kottiswar Singh relaxed the condition after Assam and Maharashtra Governments said the investigation against him was complete. The bench asked Allahbadia to approach the Maharashtra cyber police bureau to retrieve his passport. The top court told Allahbadia's lawyer, senior advocate Abhinav Chandrachud, it would consider his prayer to club the FIRs against his client and bring it in one place on the next hearing.

Chandrachud said the Maharashtra FIR was the first one on the issue and the Guwahati FIR could be clubbed with it as it stemmed from the same facts and incident. Justice Kant, however, told Chandrachud the Guwahati FIR comprised a different set of allegations, specific to people of Assam.

"If you want to argue on the issue, then we will hear it on the next date of hearing and you can make out case then," the judge said. The bench also allowed NGO Cure SMA Foundation of India to implead "India's Got Latent" host Samay Raina and other co-accused through the police of Maharashtra and Assam, as their statements were recorded in the case. Senior advocate Aprajita Singh, representing the NGO, said they were not able to implead Raina and others in the case as respondents for want of their addresses and requested the bench to allow them to be made parties even without their particulars.

71 prominent personalities conferred Padma awards

NEW DELHI, Apr 28 (PTI)

FORMER chief of Suzuki Motor late Osamu Suzuki, late singer Pankaj Udhass, former Bihar Deputy Chief Minister late Sushil Kumar Modi, and publisher of Tamil daily Dinamalar, Lakshminarayana Ramasubbaiyer, were among the 71 prominent personalities conferred with Padma awards by President Droupadi Murmu on Monday. Altogether 139 distinguished persons were named for the country's civilian awards -- Padma Vibhushan, Padma Bhushan and Padma Shri -- on the eve of the 76th Republic Day on January 25.

While 71 of them were given the awards at the Rashtrapati

Bhawan's majestic Durbar Hall on Monday in the presence of Vice President Jagdeep Dhanekar, Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Union Home Minister Amit Shah, among others, the remaining will be conferred with the decorations at a separate function to be held soon.

Veteran actor Shekhar Kapur, cricketer Ravichandran Ashwin, hockey player P R Sreejesh, chairman of Asian Institute of Gastroenterology and AIG Hospitals, D Nageshwar Reddy, violinist Lakshminarayana Subramaniam and Telugu superstar Nandamuri Balakrishna, also known as Balayya, were the other prominent persons conferred with the

Padma awards by Murmu.

Among the awardees, four received Padma Vibhushan -- Suzuki (Posthumous), Subramaniam, Reddy and Malayalam author and film director M T Vasudevan Nair (Posthumous). A total of 10 distinguished personalities were conferred with Padma Bhushan. They include Udhass (Posthumous), Sushil Kumar Modi (Posthumous), Balakrishna, Kapur, Sreejesh, Tamil actor S Ajith Kumar, chairman of Zyclus Lifesciences, Pankaj Patel, and Vinod Dham, an Indian-American engineer, who is widely known as the 'Father of the Pentium'.

As many as 57 prominent personalities were conferred with

Padma Shri. These include former chairperson of the State Bank of India, Arundhati Bhattacharya, industrialist Pawan Kumar Goenka, wildlife researcher and Marathi author Maruti Bhujangrao Chitampalli, who gave unique dictionaries on birds, animals and trees, and master puppeteer Bhimavva Doddabalappa Shilleyathara, who was one of the first women to practise Togalu Gombeyaata (leather puppetry) art form.

Former AIMS and SGGI director A K Mahapatra and Punjab singer Jasprender Narula Kaul were also given Padma Shri. This year, the Padma awards were given to 30 unsung heroes, including 100-year-old Libia Lobo Sardesai, who played

an important role in Goa's freedom movement.

She co-founded an underground radio station -- 'Voz da Liberdade (Voice of Freedom)' -- in a forested area in 1955 to rally people against Portuguese rule.

The awards are given in various disciplines and fields such as art, social work, public affairs, science and engineering, trade and industry, medicine, literature and education, sports and civil service, among others.

Padma Vibhushan is awarded for exceptional and distinguished service; Padma Bhushan for distinguished service of high order, and Padma Shri for distinguished service in any field.

Toe party line or refrain from commenting: Congress to leaders on Pahalgam attack

NEW DELHI, Apr 28 (PTI)

DIRECTING its leaders to either toe the party line or refrain from commenting on the Pahalgam attack, the Congress on Monday asserted that only the recent CWC resolution along with the views expressed by party chief Mallikarjun Kharge, Rahul Gandhi and authorised AICC office-bearers represent its position on the sensitive issue.

The Opposition party's assertion comes in the wake of remarks by leaders like Vijay Wadetiwar, Mani Shankar Aiyar, Shashi Tharoor, Tariq Hameed Karra and Saifuddin Soz that have triggered a row, with the BJP alleging that some from the Opposition party were speaking "Pakistan's language". The Congress Working Committee had termed the Pahalgam attack masterminded by Pakistan as a direct assault on the values of our republic. It also

called for a comprehensive examination of intelligence failures and security lapses. Both Kharge and Gandhi had expressed support for the Government on whatever action it takes on the matter. Congress general secretary in-charge communications Jairam Ramesh said, "The Congress Working Committee had met on April 24, 2025, and passed a resolution on the brutal terror attack on tourists in Pahalgam two days earlier.

"Thereafter, on the evening of April 24, 2025, the Congress President and the Leader of the Opposition in the Lok Sabha attended the all-party meeting and put forward the party's views." "Some Congress leaders have been speaking to the media. They speak for themselves and do not reflect the Congress' views. "There should be absolutely no doubt whatsoever at this most sensitive of times that the

CWC resolution, the views expressed by Mallikarjun Kharge and Rahul Gandhi and the views of authorised AICC office-bearers ALONE represent the position of the Congress (sic)," Ramesh said in a post on X.

The statement came after the BJP asked Kharge and Gandhi if their call for national unity was merely a formality and cited comments of Congress leaders questioning the need for war with Pakistan and the Pahalgam terror attack victims' account that terrorists marked out non-Muslims. Former Union minister Ravi Shankar Prasad named a number of Congress leaders, including Karnataka Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, senior Maharashtra leader Vijay Wadetiwar, Karnataka minister R B Timmapur and Gandhi's brother-in-law Robert Vadra, for their controversial comments to target the Opposition party's leadership.

Motilal Oswal Home Finance Limited PUBLIC NOTICE FOR E-AUCTION GUM SALE. E-Auction Sale Notice of 15 Days for Sale of Immovable Asset(s) under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provision to rule 8 and 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Motilal Oswal Home Finance Limited PUBLIC NOTICE FOR E-AUCTION GUM SALE. E-Auction Sale Notice of 30 Days for Sale of Immovable Asset(s) under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provision to rule 8 and 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

SBI State Bank of India POSSESSION NOTICE (For immovable properties) [See rule 8 (1)]. Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the STATE BANK OF INDIA under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the Powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated as below mentioned date calling upon the Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s) to repay the amount mentioned in the notice and Interest thereon within 60 days from date of the receipt of the said notice.

MAOIST WOMAN MEMBER SURRENDERS: A WOMAN member of the banned CPI (Maoist) surrendered before police in Jharkhand's Bokaro district, officials said. Sunita Murmu, alias Leelmoni Murmu (22), had managed to escape during an encounter between Maoists and security personnel in Bokaro district on April 21, in which eight Naxals were killed.

Indian Bank Branch: Raipur Main (C.G.) POSSESSION NOTICE (for Immovable Properties) (Under Rule-8(1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002) Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Indian Bank under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated 06/01/2025 calling upon the Borrower/Mortgagor - Mrs. Usha Dahariya W/o Mr. Bed Prakash Dahariya & Guarantor - Mr. Bed Prakash Dahariya S/o Shri Chaitu Ram Dahariya, Both of their Address:- 1) MIG 62, Goutam Vihar, Behind Alok Nagar, Deypur, Raipur, Tehsil and Dist. -Raipur, CG, 2) LIG-1133, Housing board colony, Seljhara, Raipur, C.G with our Raipur Main Branch to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being Rs. 8,53,881/- (Rupees Eight Lakhs Fifty Three Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty One only) within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

OMKARA ASSETS RECONSTRUCTION PRIVATE LIMITED Corporate Office: Kohinor Square, 47th Floor, N. C. Kekar Marg, R. G. Gadkari Chowk, Dadar (West), Mumbai - 400028, Email: mumbai@omkara.com. Tel.: 022-26544000 (Acting as a Trustee of India Resurgence ARC Trust II) [Appendix - IV-A] [See proviso to rule 8 (6) read with 9(1)]

OMKARA ASSETS RECONSTRUCTION PRIVATE LIMITED PUBLIC NOTICE FOR E-AUCTION FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY. E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 ("SARFAESI Act") read with provision to Rule 8 (6) read with 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, Religare Finvest Ltd., in exercise of powers conferred under the Sarfaesi Act and Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, had issued a Demand Notice dated 23.10.2018 under section 13(2) thereby calling upon borrower(s)/ mortgagor(s)/ guarantors/corporate guarantors i.e., 1. Gupta And Company - (Borrower) at Near Hanuman Mandir Golf Bazar Shop No.05 Near Chudi Line Raipur Chhattisgarh- 492001 Also at: C-2/22, Sector-2, Devedra Nagar Raipur Chhattisgarh-492001. 1(A) Ajay Kumar Gupta - (Co-Borrower) at Near Hanuman Mandir Golf Bazar Shop No.05 Near Chudi Line Raipur Chhattisgarh- 492001 Also at: C-2/22, Sector-2, Devedra Nagar Raipur Chhattisgarh-492001. 1(B) Prabha Devi Gupta - (Co-Borrower) residing at Near Hanuman Mandir Golf Bazar Shop No.05 Near Chudi Line Raipur Chhattisgarh- 492001 Also at: C-2/22, Sector-2, Devedra Nagar Raipur Chhattisgarh-492001, for repayment of outstanding amount aggregating to INR 2,13,44,567/- (Indian Rupees Two Crore Thirteen Lakh Forty-Four Thousand Five Hundred Sixty-Seven Only) as on 23-10-2018 but accrued interest within 60 days from the date of the said notice. The borrower(s)/mortgagor(s)/ guarantors/corporate guarantors having failed to repay the entire dues as per said Demand Notice within 60 days, the Authorized Officer of India Resurgence ARC Private Limited issued a notice under Section 13(4) of the SARFAESI Act and Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 and took Possession of the below mentioned secured property as on 22.05.2024. Further, previously Religare Finvest Ltd has assigned the debt of Gupta and Company, to India Resurgence ARC Private Limited (IRAPL) as on 05.11.2019. & India Resurgence ARC Private Limited vide Security Receipt Purchase Agreement dated 16.08.2024 has transferred all rights, title, liabilities and obligations in favour of OARPL Acting as a Trustee of India Resurgence ARC Trust II, OARPL Acting as a Trustee of India Resurgence ARC Trust II has now stepped into the shoes of assignor and empowered to recover the dues and enforce the security. NOW THEREFORE the Authorized Officer of OARPL acting as a Trustee of India Resurgence ARC Trust II hereby intends to sell the below mentioned secured properties for recovery of dues. The properties shall be sold in exercise of rights and powers under the provisions of sections 13 (2) and (4) of SARFAESI Act on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" and "Without recourse Basis" for recovery of amount shown below in respective column due to OARPL as Secured Creditor from respective Borrower and Co-Borrower(s). The description of the immovable properties along with details of reserve price and earnest money deposit (EMD) and known encumbrances is as mentioned below: